SHORT NOTICE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

B.S.A.M. Diploma Course

11. Sri NAGAPPA (Raichur) .-

Will the Minister for Health and Housing be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has recognised the B.S.A.M. Diploma Course as a Degree Course at any time;

(b) if so, the reasons for changing the decision subsequently by Government:

- (c) whether Government propose to implement their previous decision immediately;
- (d) whether it has come to their notice that in the entire State the Ayurvedic College students are on strike;
 - (e) the action Government propose to take to stop the strike?

A.—Sri K. PUTTASWAMY (Minister for Health and Housing).—

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) Yes.

(d) Diploma students are on strike.

(e) Government are actively considering the request of the students. They have been informed through their respective Principals that they would be given additional facilities to complete the Degree Course.

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- 12. Sriyuths .-
- M. BASAVARAJU (Krishnarajanagar).—
- M. S. KRISHNAN (Malleswaram) .--
- S. PUTTASWAMY (Chamarajanagar).—
- V. N. PATIL (Humnabad).

Will the Minister for Health and Housing be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether the students of Indian Medicine had represented to the Government that Diploma course be dissolved and degree course be instituted in its place;
- (b) whether the students concerned conducted satygraha for three months in 1966 to press their legitimate demands;
- (c) whether the Government in pursuance of these demands decided to abolish diploma course and changed the B.S.A.M. Degree Course by an Order dated 18th October 1966;

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- (d) whether again this was converted into a Diploma Course in 1967;
 - (e) if so, the reasons for such a sudden reversal of the policy;
- (f) whether this change from Degree to Diploma course has put into hardships hundreds of students of Indian Medicine;
- (g) whether the Government will reconsider its present unjust policy and not only restore the degree course but also concede other legitimate demands of the students?

A .- SrI K. PUTTASWAMY (Minister for Health and Housing) .-

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) Yes—but most of the colleges—were not equipped for the B.S.A.M. course and not all the students had passed P.U.C. to be eligible for the degree course. Hence arrangements are being made to attain the object of Government Order dated 18th October 1966 through Universities by conducting condensed course.
 - (d) Does not arise.
 - (e) Does not arise.
 - (f) No.
- (g) The Government have not changed their policy. The degree course has been going on. They are quite willing to consider any legitimate demands of the students.

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13. Sri M- H. JAYAPRAKASH NARAYANA (Sirsi).-

Will the Minister for Health and Housing be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether they have issued an order on 18th October 1966 providing Degree facility to Diploma students of Ayurveda; if so, the name of the Degree;
- (b) whether they have cancelled the said order recently, if so, the reason for the same;
- (c) whether it has come to their notice that the students studying in Ayurvedic Colleges in the State are on hunger strike from 16th February 1.68 against the injustice done to them by the said cancellation;
 - (d) if so, the steps taken by them to fulfil their demands early?